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Availability:	Although the Neuro-QOL measures have been tested in two large calibration studies with disease-based and community dwelling samples, the calibrated short forms are currently being administered in a multi-site clinical validation study. Until this study has been completed and the Neuro-QOL measures are released into the public domain, investigators or groups wishing to use them in their current or future study may do so if they agree to provide the Neuro-QOL study team with item-level data derived from their respective study, which will be used to evaluate the performance of Neuro-QOL items in different neurological conditions and trials. For additional information and to obtain Neuro-QOL instruments, please visit http://www.neuroqol.org
Classification:	Exploratory for Stroke, HD and DMD
	Supplemental for ALS, PD, TBI, NMD
Item Bank	Stroke: Adult Mobility, Adult Upper Extremities, Adult Assistive Devices
Recommendations:	
Short Description of Instrument:	Purpose The Neuro-QOL is a Patient Reported Outcome (PRO) measurement system designed for neurologically impaired populations. Neuro-QOL seeks to incorporate patient reported outcomes of functioning, such as social, psychological, and mental well-being.
	Overview Contains 10 calibrated item banks with Likert-style items with several banks linked with PROMIS. Item banks cover the following domains: Mobility/Ambulation, ADL/Upper Extremity, Depression, Anxiety, Positive Psychological Functioning, Stigma, Perceived and Applied Cognition (includes communication), Social Role Performance, Social Role Satisfaction, Fatigue, Personality and Behavioral Change and Sleep Disturbances.
	Time Administered as short-forms or as Computer Adaptive Tests. Administration time is less than 5 minutes per sub domain (total time for short form across all domains is about 30 minutes).
	Scoring Patient reads Likert items on computer screen and responds. Embedded in several of the Neuro-QOL domains are a significant number of Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System (PROMIS) PROMIS items. Because of this, a PROMIS equivalency score can be derived for all individuals who complete the Neuro-QOL measures.
	Psychometric Properties It is a clinically relevant and psychometrically robust health-related quality of life (HRQL) assessment tool for adults and children that is responsive to the needs of researchers in a variety of neurological disorders and settings and facilitates comparisons of data across clinical trials in different diseases.
	Other Important Notes The Neuro-QOL is designed to be a common outcome variable across clinical trials research sponsored by the NINDS. It has been tested in large samples of individuals from the general population and diverse neurologically impaired populations. Validation with stroke patients is underway. Future plans are to develop a computer adaptive test (CAT).

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